



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer-  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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At its meeting held July 1, 2008, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Sheriff's recommendation to approve and instruct the Chair to sign agreement with the Foothill Transit for the Sheriff to provide law enforcement services to Foothill Transit at an estimated cost of \$400,000, which will offset the cost of implementing the agreement and providing service for Fiscal Year 2008-09, 100% funded by Foothill Transit, effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2013; and authorize ordinance positions for two additional deputy sheriff generalists, with the positions to be requested and formally established as part of the Department's Final Supplemental Changes for Fiscal Year 2008-09.

Arnold Sachs addressed the Board.

Supervisor Molina made the following statement:

"The Foothill Transit agreement for law enforcement services provides this Board the opportunity to examine the manner in which the County structures its law enforcement contracts and manages the liability that may arise from the services provided.

"Customarily, when the County contracts with service providers, the County indemnifies these service providers in the event of a lawsuit arising from the course and scope of their contract. Conversely, the Sheriff's Department contracts with a variety of public and private entities to provide law enforcement services; however, in each of these contracts, the County retains liability. But for these contracts the County would not have any liability. The County should explore methods in which it, too, can be fully indemnified when it provides contract services to these entities."

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After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Molina, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

1. Continued the Sheriff's recommendation to August 5, 2008; and
2. Directed the Chief Executive Officer and County Counsel to:
  - Work with the Sheriff's Department to determine how the County could structure its agreements for law enforcement services, such that the County is fully indemnified in any claims or lawsuits arising from the course and scope of these contracts; and
  - Provide a written analysis with recommendations no later than July 30, 2008. The analysis is not intended to apply to contracts that are covered by the Contract Cities Liability Fund.

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